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INFO OCT-01 ARA-06 ISO-00 DHA-02 IO-11 SCA-01 VO-03 INSE-00

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TO AMCONSUL GUAYAQUIL PRIORITY

INFO AMEMBASSY QUITO

AMEMBASSY PANAMA

AMEMBASSY SAN JOSE

AMEMBASSY CARACAS

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E.O. 11652:N/A

TAGS: SREF, PN, EC

SUBJECT: PANAMANIAN EXILES IN ECUADOR

REF:A)GUAYAQUIL 155; B) GUAYAQUIL 225

1. WE HAVE CONSISTENTLY HELD THAT ASYLUM IS THE RIGHT  
AND RESPONSIBILITY OF THE COUNTRY IN WHICH THE REQUEST  
IS MADE, IN THIS CASE ECUADOR. ECUADOR IS A SIGNATORY  
TO BOTH THE CONVENTION AND PROTOCOL RELATING TO THE  
STATUS OF REFUGEES WHICH IMPOSES CERTAIN OBLIGATIONS  
WHICH INCLUDE THE PROHIBITION AGAINST EXPULSION OF A  
REFUGEE TO A COUNTRY WHERE HIS LIFE OR FREEDOM WOULD BE  
THREATENED BECAUSE OF HIS RACE, RELIGION, NATIONALITY,  
POLITICAL OPINION, OR MEMBERSHIP IN A PARTICULAR SOCIAL  
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GROUP. IN ESSENCE, THIS IS A PROBLEM FOR THE ECUADORIAN

GOVERNMENT.

2. THE UNHCR CAN BE EXTREMELY HELPFUL IN OBTAINING  
THIRD COUNTRY RESETTLEMENT BOTH AS A RESULT OF DIRECT AP-  
PEALS BY THE REFUGEE OR BY THE COUNTRY IN WHICH HE IS  
LOCATED. AS INDICATED PER REFTTEL B, CHANCES FOR RESETTLE-  
MENT IN COSTA RICA SEEMS VERY GOOD.

3. INSTRUCTIONS REQUESTED PER REFTTEL B, PARA 2 WILL  
BE SENT SEPTTEL. KISSINGER

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